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I am writing in support of House Bill 5583 allowing the town of East Haddam and Bashan Lake Association to have the ability to say when and how much the level of the water will be drawn down on Bashan Lake on a yearly basis.

Allowing residents to have a say in the water levels will benefit the Lake in many ways, from safe boating to weed control which is crucial at this time. Contamination of the water due to erosion and run off will be reduced. Property damage and the value of the properties will be maintained.

It has been proven time and again, that allowing people to have a voice in concerns, whether in their workplace or their own lives, creates a happy existence for many. As our Governor continues to cut budgets in the state of Ct, I am sure his biggest concern is not going to be the health of lakes and ponds. Allowing the residents of Bashan Lake control of the water level will only assist in reducing some of the financial burden of State committees, DEP and DEEP.

We are SO proud of Bashan Lake and hope you will consider House Bill 5583 as a viable alternative for the State of Ct.

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